

United States Military Academy Band West Point, New York 10996



Hudson Highlands Trombone Ensemble

The Hudson Highlands Trombone Ensemble was formed in October of 2005. It is comprised of members of the USMA Concert Band and Jazz Knights, and performs music from all genres. Although primarily a quartet, they will add members to accommodate larger trombone works and percussion to facilitate their flexibility.

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS TEDDY ARNOLD is currently the bass trombonist for the Jazz Knights, a position he has held since September of 2001. A native of Jacksonville, Florida, SFC Arnold entered the Army in 1985. His military service has taken him around the globe in performance with many Army bands. His assignments have included the United States Army Band & Chorus, based in Heidelberg, Germany; the 82nd Airborne Division Band at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina and the former 14th Army Band at Ft. McClellan, Alabama. In 1989, SFC Arnold was an Honor Graduate of the Armed Forces School of Music at Little Creek, VA. He also attended Methodist College and Fayetteville State University studying music. SFC Arnold has studied with Telarc recording artist Steve Turre (Saturday Night Live), Slide Hampton (World of Trombones), Douglas Purviance (Vanguard Jazz Orchestra) and Benny Powell (formally of the Count Basie Orchestra). He has performed with many artists in various styles to include Latin, Broadway shows and jazz.

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS MARTIN TYCE is from Rock Springs, Wyoming. He became a member of the USMA Band in 1989 after receiving his bachelor of arts degree in music performance from Bethany College in Lindsborg, Kansas. Marty has studied with Mr. Joseph Alessi, principal trombonist on the New York Philharmonic and is currently studying with Mr. Matt Ingman, in New York City. He completed a master's degree in counseling from Long Island University, C.W. Post, in 1996. Additionally, Marty is currently an adjunct faculty member at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, New York, directing the brass and jazz ensembles.

STAFF SERGEANT BARRY MORRISON, from Montgomery, Alabama, joined the U.S. Military Academy Band in April of 1987. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Music Education from the University of Alabama, and a Master of Music degree from Texas A & M University at Commerce (Formerly East Texas State University). Prior to joining the band, SSG Morrison taught in the public schools of Alabama and Texas. When not performing his Army duties, he serves as conductor of the Rhinebeck Legion Band.

STAFF SERGEANT PHILIP STEHLY joined the Academy Band in the summer of 2005. A native of Kansas City, he received a Bachelor of Music in trombone performance from Indiana University. While at Indiana, he was the principal trombonist of the Wind Ensemble under the direction of Ray Cramer. SSG Stehly has also performed with the IU New Music Ensemble, IU Symphony Orchestras and the Bloomington Camerata. His principal teachers are Roger Oyster of the Kansas City Symphony, and Dee Stewart and Peter Ellefson of Indiana University.